

Village of Youngstown Local Waterfront Revitalization Program

Public Information Meeting

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Tonight's Agenda

- LWRP Policies
- Land Use
- Projects
- Other Recommendations
- Public Comment

LWRP POLICIES

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- Based on NYSDOS Coastal Policies.
- 69 policy statements under 11 different categories.
- Comprehensive description that reflects the community's vision for the Village.
- Considers the economic, environmental and cultural characteristics of the Village.
- Implemented through projects and enforced through State and Local laws.
- Serve as the basis for State and Federal consistency determinations along the waterfront.

Proposed Changes

- No major changes to the existing goals and policies.
- Minor text changes to reflect existing conditions and maintain consistency with the New York State Coastal Management Program.
- Minor changes to address...
 - Development and commercial activity along Water Street
 - Residential uses along Main Street
 - Future residential development in outlying areas
 - Preserve and protect the bluff

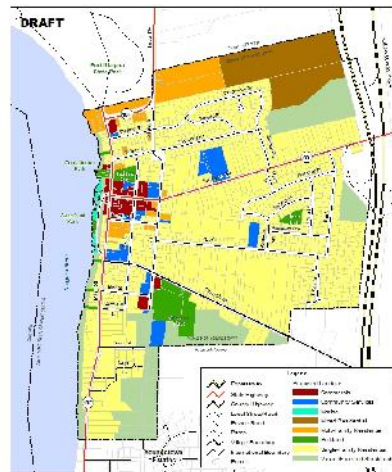
What isn't changing?

- Revitalize underutilized areas of the Village to encourage growth, development and increased economic activity
- Encourage water-dependent uses along the waterfront
- Promote water-enhanced uses along the west side of Main Street in the Village Center.
- Enhance historic and scenic resources in the Village.
- Encourage public use and enjoyment of the waterfront.
- Manage stormwater and drainage to prevent erosion.

PROPOSED LAND USES

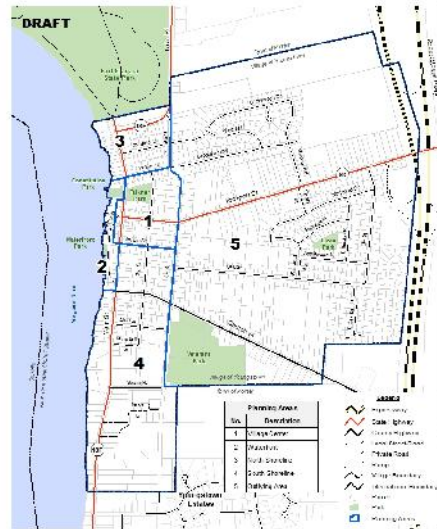
Future Land Use

- Minor changes to reflect existing land use patterns
- Mixed residential development in the northwest corner of the Village (Carrollwood Drive)
- Future residential development along Elm Street and East Oak Terrace.
- Street end scenic overlooks.



5 Planning Areas

- Village Center
- Waterfront
- North Shoreline
- South Shoreline
- Outlying Areas



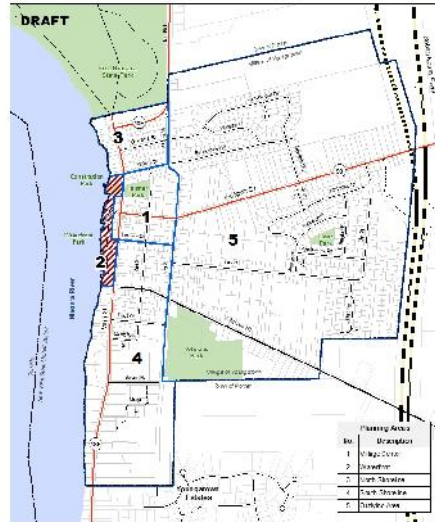
Village Center

- Bounded by Main Street, Hinman Street, Third Street and William Street
- Continue to serve as the commercial and municipal center of the Village
- Encourage proper mixing of residential and commercial uses
- Encourage water-enhanced uses on the west side of Main Street.



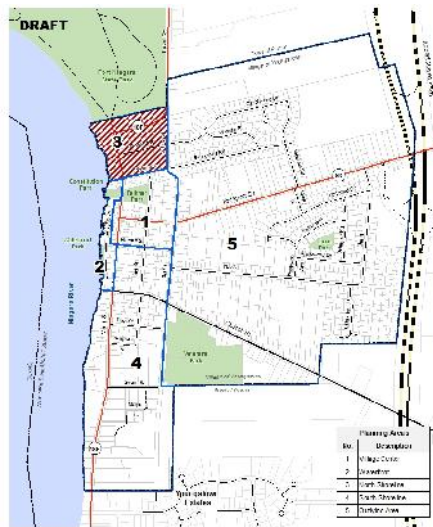
Waterfront

- Shoreline property along the River between William Street and Church Street
- Includes two waterfront parks and the most active shoreline uses in the Village
- Maintain and enhance public access to the waterfront facilities.
- Sustainable development to balance development and preserve Village character



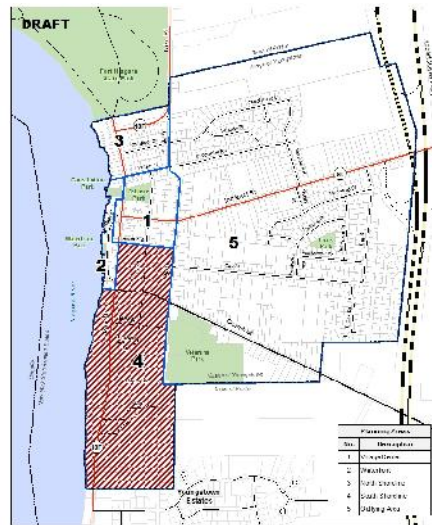
North Shoreline

- Continue existing residential pattern with a mix of single-family and multi-family housing
- Improve public space and corridor connecting with Fort Niagara State Park.
- Provide scenic viewing of the Niagara River for motorists and pedestrians.
- Preserve historic character of the community.



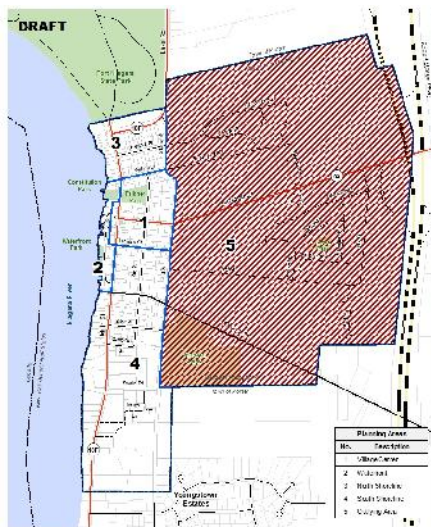
South Shoreline

- Continue existing single-family residential land use pattern.
- Maintain forest areas along the bluff and provide selective areas from which to view the Niagara River.
- Provide scenic viewing of the Niagara River for motorists and pedestrians.
- Preserve historic character of the community.



Outlying Areas

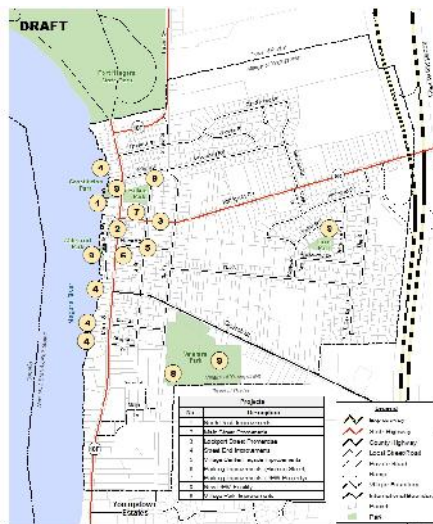
- Maintain the predominate residential land use pattern.
- Provide for mixed residential use in the north central section of the Village.
- Encourage single-family residential homes adjacent to Oak Terrace.
- Improve public park facilities
- Preserve the historic character of the community.



PROJECTS

Projects

1	North Dock Improvements
2	Main Street Promenade
3	Lockport Street Promenade
4	Street End Improvements
5	Village Center Façade Improvements
6	Parking Improvements (Hinman Street)
7	Parking Improvements (DPW Site)
8	New DPW Facility
9	Village Park Improvements



North Dock Improvements

- Currently underutilized public space with limited vehicle and pedestrian access.
- Dock area is not ideally suited for smaller watercraft
- Proposed Improvements
 - Improve pedestrian access
 - Floating docks and finger piers
 - Benches and landscaping
 - Bathroom and custom facilities
 - Future seasonal business (ie. canoe and kayak rentals)
 - Temporary parking (handicap, unloading small boats, etc.)



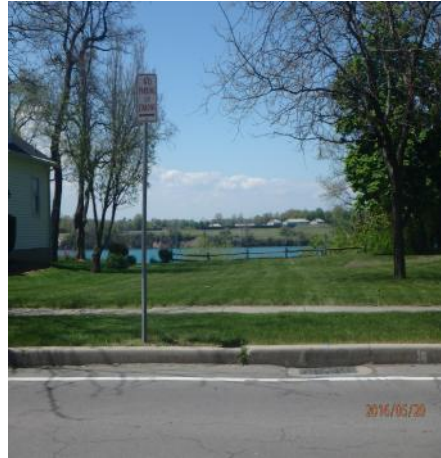
Streetscape Improvements

- Enhance public space along Main Street between Hinman and Fort Niagara State Park
- Revitalize public space along Lockport Street between Third Street and Main Street
- Proposed Improvements
 - Widen sidewalks and designate crosswalks for pedestrians
 - Designated parking
 - Install benches, decorative lighting, trees and planters
 - Bicycle lanes and bike racks
 - Public bathroom facilities



Street End Scenic Overlooks

- Four undeveloped street ends along the River
 - Niagara Street
 - Church Street
 - Elliot Street
 - Campbell Street
- Provide scenic viewing points of the River
- Considerations
 - Restrictions
 - Allowable uses
 - Feasibility
 - Improvements



Village Center Façade Improvements

- Improve the physical appearance of commercial buildings in the Village Center
- NYS Main Street Program
 - Financial incentive to rehabilitate existing buildings
 - Preserve significant or historic buildings and property
 - Attract new investment and reuse of existing buildings
 - Encourage upper floor residential apartments
 - Ensures appropriate design and historic architecture of the area



Parking Improvements

- Parking is a problem during peak summer weekends or during major events.
- Demand for parking will increase with economic development and investment into the Village Center
- Parking study to determine needs
- Proposed Improvements
 - Improve parking on Hinman Street to better accommodate boat trailers
 - Alleviate parking congestion along Water Street
 - Designated on-street parking
 - Other sites



New DPW Facility

- The existing facility is located in the Village Center on 2nd Street
- Adjacent to Falkner Park, Apartment Buildings and a vacant lot on Main Street
- Veterans Park is a potential site to relocate DPW facilities
- Water Storage Tank
- Future reuse opportunities
 - Public parking
 - Commercial development
 - Residential apartments



Village Park Improvements

- Sufficient parkland to meet community open space needs
- Access to 5 Village Parks and 3 State Parks.
- Recreational needs assessment to identify improvements at each park.
- Considerations
 - Type of park or current use
 - Community needs
 - Condition of facilities
 - Proposed equipment



Other Recommendations

- Passenger Ferry Study
- Shoreline Protection Program
- Infrastructure Improvements
 - Water and sewer infrastructure
 - Infiltration and inflow study
- Drainage Study
- Promote waterfront tourism
- Promote Village at Fort Niagara
- Residential Development
 - Sherwood Drive
 - Carrollwood Drive
- Historic Resources Survey
 - Create historic districts
 - Establish historic preservation board and standards

NEXT STEPS

What happens after tonight?

- Finalize proposed land use and projects
- Prepare implementation schedule
- Prepare draft LWRP document for review
- Refer to Village Board of Trustees
- Initiate SEQR process
- Public Hearing (Tentatively Fall 2016)
- Send to NYSDOS for review and comment.

How do you stay informed?

- Website - www.youngstownnewyork.us
 - Draft documents, maps and other information will be made available on the Village website.
- Facebook - www.facebook.com/VillageofYoungstown
 - Important announcements will be posted periodically.
- Committee Meetings
 - The public is welcome to attend committee meetings.
 - Meetings are generally held each month. Call the Village Clerk to confirm prior to attending.
- Niagara Gazette
 - Public notices and press releases about future public meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT

